

Bayfield County Board of Supervisors
Sheriff's, Emergency Government, Veterans and Child Support Committee
January 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jeremy Oswald, Jeff Silbert, Fred Strand, Dennis Pocerich

Others Present: Paul Susienka-Sheriff, Andy Runice- Chief Deputy, Mark Abeles-Allison-County Administrator, Jan Victorson-Emergency Management, Jen Jones- Child Support Office, Kathleen Haiden-Jail Captain, Deb Milanowski-Sheriff's Office, Sjana Schanning

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Oswald

Approval of Minutes: *Motion by Strand, 2nd by Silbert to approve the November 16, 2020 minutes. Motion carried (4-0)*

Child Support-Jen Jones: Discussion of additional funding for Child Support of \$4 million from the State for GPR.

Jeff Silbert made a motion to approve the Resolution of Increased County Child Support Funding and recommend the adoption to the full board, Strand 2nd. Motion approved (4-0)

Reviewed the 2020 budget. Anticipating another large payment from the State.

Emergency Management-Jan Victorson:

Provided an update that Kevin Johnson was deployed to Washington, DC for the inauguration so he is unable to attend this meeting.

COVID 19 updates reviewed for the county. Testing to occur in Iron River. Bayfield County vaccinations of 702 with a positivity rate of 6% which is less than the State average of 8%.

Discussion of PPE and another shipment is due Wednesday with some of the PPE earmarked for the Health Department.

Testing to occur in Bayfield County every other Friday in Iron River through March 5, 2021.

There are still a few things needing to be done for the EMPG. Trying to prioritize items so that the new person isn't overwhelmed.

Working with Birkie Plan for the 5- day event that will go from Cable to Cable this year, working with Recreational Trail Group for consistent signage. Red Cross shelter in the Town of Bell approved by the Red Cross.

Discussion of the EMPG and committee is very supportive of this grant request. Asking for backup radios for special events.

Dennis Pocernich made a motion to recommend the EMPG-S Grant Resolution to the full board, Silbert 2nd. Motion carried (4-0)

Sheriff's Office:

Review of current staffing as it relates to Covid-19. Only a few incidents and no major break outs.

Not expecting anything around the area regarding the civil unrest that is occurring in other parts of the country.

Updated on the NIBRS project. Currently having some issues complying but it's due to our RMS not meeting requirements needed.

Discussed the 2020 Squad Fund Resolution. Unexpected vehicle repairs and other expenses. These were offset by an overage in our revenue for the fund.

Fred Strand made a motion to recommend this to the full board. Silbert 2nd. Motion carried (4-0)

Jail construction update- Tile repair done in the hallway which started leaking again. The problem was found and has been fixed. Just waiting on the lock installation. The low inmate numbers are helping during this construction phase. Almost done with the project.

UVC lights-the tabletop size are nice but looking for one that would work in a car too.

Other Committee Concerns: Emergency Management Director interviews will occur starting early next week.

Future Agenda Items: Lexipol Review

Public Comment: None

Next meeting date is tentatively set for February 15, 2021 at 4:00pm remotely.

Meeting adjourned at: 5:04 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Deb Milanowski Minutes approved on: 2/15/21 @ 4:04pm